This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

(Currently Amended) Liquid-crystalline medium comprising

 at least one compound of the formula I

$$R^{11} - A \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow Z^{11} \rightarrow O \rightarrow Y^{11} \qquad I$$

and

- at least one compound of the formula II

$$R^{21} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{II} R^{22}$$

in which

L<sup>1</sup>, L<sup>2</sup>, L<sup>3</sup> and L<sup>4</sup> are each, independently of one another, H or F;

R<sup>11</sup> is H, a halogenated or unsubstituted alkyl radical having from 1 to 15 carbon atoms, where, in addition, one or more CH<sub>2</sub>

groups in these radicals may each be replaced, independently of one another, by -C≡C-, -CH=CH-, -O-, -CO-O- or -O-CO- in such a way that O atoms are not linked directly to one another;

R<sup>21</sup> and R<sup>22</sup> are each, independently of one another, H, Cl, F, CN, SF<sub>5</sub>;

SCN, NCS, a halogenated or an unsubstituted alkyl radical having from 1 to 15 carbon atoms, where, in addition, one or more CH<sub>2</sub> groups in these radicals may each be replaced, independently of one another, by

-C=C-, -CH=CH-, -O-, -CO-O- or -O-CO- in such a way that O atoms are not linked directly to one another;

Y<sup>11</sup> is F, Cl, CN, SF<sub>5</sub>, SCN, NCS, a halogenated alkyl radical, a

halogenated alkenyl radical, a halogenated alkoxy radical or a halogenated alkenyloxy radical, each having up to 6 carbon atoms;

Z<sup>11</sup> is a single bond, -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CH=CH-, -CH=CF-, -CF=CH-, -CF=CF-, -C≡C-, -COO-, -OCO-, -CF<sub>2</sub>O- or -OCF<sub>2</sub>-; a and f, independently of one another, are is 0 or 1; b, c, d and e are each, independently of one another, 0, 1 or 2; fis 1;

- 2. (Currently Amended) <u>The liquid Liquid</u> -crystalline medium according to Claim 1, comprising
  - at least one compound of the formula IA

$$R^{11}$$
  $A$   $B$   $Z^{11}$   $O$   $Y^{11}$   $IA$ 

and

in which

 $L^2$  is H or F;

R<sup>11</sup> is H, a halogenated or unsubstituted alkyl radical having from 1 to 15 carbon atoms, where, in addition, one or more CH<sub>2</sub> groups in these radicals may each be replaced, independently of one another, by -C=C-, -CH=CH-, -O-, -CO-O- or -O-CO- in such a way that O atoms are not linked directly to one another;

R<sup>21</sup> and R<sup>22</sup> are each, independently of one another, H, Cl, F, CN, SF<sub>5</sub>;

SCN, NCS, a halogenated or an unsubstituted alkyl radical having from 1 to 15 carbon atoms, where, in addition, one or more CH<sub>2</sub> groups in these radicals may each be replaced, independently of one another, by

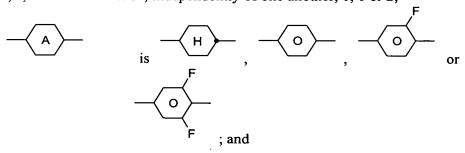
-C≡C-, -CH=CH-, -O-, -CO-O- or -O-CO- in such a way that O atoms are not linked directly to one another;

Y<sup>11</sup> is F, Cl, CN, SF<sub>5</sub>, SCN, NCS, a halogenated alkyl radical, a halogenated alkenyl radical, a halogenated alkoxy radical or a halogenated alkenyloxy radical, each having up to 6 carbon atoms;

 $Z^{11}$  is a single bond, -COO- or -CF<sub>2</sub>O-;

f is <del>0 or</del> 1;

b, c, d and e are each, independently of one another, 0, 1 or 2;



B is 
$$H$$
 ,  $O$  ,

- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Cancelled)
- (Currently Amended) <u>The liquid Liquid-crystalline medium according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein</u>
  - $R^{11}$  and  $R^{21}$ , independently of one another, are straight-chain alkyl having from 1 to 7 carbon atoms; and
  - R<sup>22</sup> is Cl, F, CF<sub>3</sub> or straight-chain alkyl having from 1 to 7 carbon atoms.
- (Currently Amended) The liquid Liquid -crystalline medium according to claim 1 eharacterised in that wherein
   Y<sup>11</sup> is F, Cl, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCHF<sub>2</sub> or OCF<sub>3</sub>.
- 7. (Currently Amended) <u>The liquid Liquid</u> -crystalline medium according to claim 1, characterised in that it furthermore comprises further comprising a compound of the formula III

in which

 $L^{31}$ 

is H or F;

R<sup>31</sup> is H, a halogenated or unsubstituted alkyl radical having from 1 to 15 carbon atoms, where one or more CH<sub>2</sub> groups in these radicals may also be replaced by -C≡C-, -CH=CH-, -O-, -CO-O- or -O-CO- in such a way that O atoms are not linked directly to one another;

R<sup>32</sup> is H, F, Cl, a halogenated or unsubstituted alkyl radical having from 1 to 15 carbon atoms, where one or more CH<sub>2</sub> groups in these radicals may also be replaced by -C≡C-, -CH=CH-, -O-, -CO-O- or -O-CO- in such a way that O atoms are not linked directly to one another; and

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8. (Currently Amended) The liquid Liquid -crystalline medium according to claim 1, characterised in that it furthermore comprises further comprising a compound of the formulae IV and/or V

$$R^{41}$$
  $H$   $CH_2O$   $H$   $R^{42}$   $IV$   $R^{51}$   $H$   $CF_3$   $V$ 

in which

R<sup>41</sup>, R<sup>42</sup> and R<sup>51</sup>, independently of one another, are alkyl having from 1 to 12 carbon atoms.

9. (Currently Amended) <u>The liquid Liquid</u> -crystalline medium according to claim 1, characterised in that it furthermore comprises comprising a compound of the formulae VI and/or VII and/or VIII

$$R^{61}$$
  $O$   $O$   $CH_2CH_2$   $O$   $VI$ 

in which

R<sup>61</sup>, R<sup>71</sup> and R<sup>81</sup>, independently of one another, are alkyl having from 1 to 12 carbon atoms.

- 10. (Currently Amended) The liquid Liquid -crystalline medium according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein the proportion of the compounds of the formula II in the mixture as a whole is from 0.1 to 10% by weight, in particular from 0.25 to 5% by weight and particularly preferably from 0.5 to 2% by weight.
- 11. (Cancelled)
- 12. (Currently Amended) <u>An electro</u>-optical liquid-crystal display containing a liquid-crystalline medium according to claim 1.
- 13. (New) The liquid-crystalline medium according to claim 1 wherein the proportion of the compounds of the formula II in the mixture as a whole is 0.25 to 5% by weight.
- 14. (New) The liquid-crystalline medium according to claim 1 wherein the proportion of the compounds of the formula II in the mixture as a whole is 0.5 to 2% by weight.